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**Photo by Steve Pivnick** 

Dr. Jones is shown Keesler Medical Center's flood doors by Brig. Gen. (Dr.) James Dougherty, 81st Medical Group commander, during a tour of the medical center May 31.

# Base, VA efforts attract attention of DOD official

By Steve Pivnick

81st Medical Group Public Affairs

Sharing services was the magnet that drew Defense Department and Veterans Affairs officials to Keesler Medical Center and the Biloxi VA Medical Center last week.

The two medical facilities hosted a visit by Dr. Stephen Jones, principal deputy assistant secretary of defense for health affairs, and other DOD and VA officials May 31 and Friday.

"I was very pleased with the commitment" displayed by the DOD and VA facilities, said Dr. Jones.

The goal of the visit was to see current sharing initiatives, talk with those involved in the day-to-day activities and discuss future opportunities.

The visitors spent May 31 at Keesler Medical Center where they were briefed on sharing opportunities. They also made an extensive tour of the facility.

Later, they met with Sen. Trent Lott's staff in Gulfport.

Friday, the group spent the morning at the VA facility in Biloxi where they received additional briefings on DOD and

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## This week in the Triangle

Aerospace control and warning course, 9:30 a.m. today, Bryan Hall.

Ground radar systems apprentice course, 9 a.m. Wednesday, Cody Hall.

Computer networking cryptographic systems, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Bryan Hall.

Precision measurement apprentice course, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Wolfe Hall.



#### Student numbers

Total students — 2,859
Non-prior service — 1,751
Temporary duty — 963
Joint service — 90
Combat controllers — 16
Medical — 18
Non-prior service arrivals — 103
Guard, Reserve — 716
International — 34
FY07 graduates — 16,633
Total since 1942 — 2,254,605

## Don't wait for Memorial Day to say thanks to our veterans

By Lt. Col. Kay Spannuth

333rd Training Squadron commander

The official Memorial Day has been observed for 2007; however, at the 124 national cemeteries across the U.S., every day is a chance for Americans to honor their vet-

Airmen, Marines, Soldiers and Sailors from all eras lie side-by-side with a common theme they served their country well.

A recent early morning bicycle ride among the 377 acres at the Indiantown Gap National Cemetery in Pennsylvania highlighted the respect Americans have for their veterans and the joys of everyday life veterans left behind. With the backdrop of the mountains and rolling hills and aroma of lilacs in the air, flags waved in the gentle breeze and the sun beamed down on the majestic replicas of a bombed-out farm and church. As usual, the grass, shrubs, trees, buildings and grave sites were immaculately maintained.

As the deer bounded and squirrels scam-

pered around the clusters of trees, the birds contributed their chirping as if to say they were watching over all the veterans and visitors. The early morning visitors included three generations of a family paying their respects at one grave. Hopefully, this is a tradition the baby will continue in later years.

In another section of the cemetery, a woman lovingly placed flowers at a grave site. Other early risers included three people emerging from an out-of-state vehicle.

These visitors' stories may be different, but they share the common thread of remembering those who served their country well.

The peacefulness was occasionally interrupted by the echo of weapons fire as current Soldiers honed their skills at Ft. Indiantown Gap — a sad reminder that more veterans will join their brethren in these places of honor.

Don't wait for the next official Memorial Day — visit a national cemetery and say thank you to the veterans who served their country well.

## It's time for responsibility check

By Col. Brad Ashley

72nd Air Base Wing

TINKER Air Force Base, Okla. — When you look in the mirror in the morning, do you see someone who takes personal responsibility for your actions? Or is your first reaction when things don't go right to blame someone else?

As Airmen — and to me that term includes the military, civilian and contractor members of our team — we all depend on one another to perform to the best of our abilities and to be personally prepared for every challenge we might face. Anything less could cost valuable American lives as we work to provide our warfighters with the best aerospace power equipment in the world. We also provide warfighters with a very valuable and precious asset — expeditionary Airmen with great attitudes and skills ready to perform at a moment's notice around the globe.

The stakes are high when we talk about military readiness, which includes our medical readiness. Readiness exercises typically show we can always do better when it comes to individual readiness and personal responsibility.

Time after time, people show up for their exercise deployment ill prepared and unable to deploy because they haven't taken the personal responsibility to do what it takes to be ready. In some cases, their shot records aren't up to date; in others, they haven't completed their self-aid buddy care training. Some Airmen aren't up to speed on the proper wear of the gas mask. These issues present unnecessary challenges to the deployment line process.

Being deployment-ready is the responsibility of everyone who wears the uniform, and not because they might be tested during an inspection or exercise, but because we're a nation at war, and their job could call for them to deploy into harm's way. When that

happens, no excuse in the world will save an Airman who's ill prepared. Personal responsibility encompasses many areas: dress and appearance, warfighting skills, equipment and attitude.

It's the personal responsibility of every Airman to know the Airman's Manual inside and out. The Airman's Manual is a terrific tool that helps develop warfighting skills.

Some people get complacent and think there's no need for them to learn every entry in the manual when they can just look it up. They couldn't be more wrong, because they could find themselves in a war zone, facing an enemy who doesn't allow open-book

So take a good look in the mirror and ask yourself, "Do I take personal responsibility?"

If the answer is no, you better get busy, because in today's challenging world, we're relying on you.

## **ACTION LINE ... 377-4357**

By Brig. Gen. Paul Capasso

81st Training Wing commander

You're encouraged to work your concerns through your chain of command or to contact an appropriate helping agent. For matters left unresolved, call the commander's action line for

We welcome any suggestions to help make this a more valuable and useful tool. You may call the commander's action line at 377-4357, write to Commander's Action Line, 81st TRW/PA, Keesler AFB, MS 39534-2603, e-mail 81st TRW Commander's Action Line (on-base) or commanders.line@keesler.af.mil (offbase). For a personal response, include your name, address and phone number.

Items of general interest may appear in this column.

For your convenience, below is a list of key customer service phone numbers at Keesler:

**Base locator** — 377-2890 **Base operator** — 377-1110 Base taxi (official use) — 377-2430 Career assistance adviser Central medical appointments — 1-800-700-8603 Child development center — Civil engineering — 377-5561 Civilian personnel — 377-2268 Military personnel flight Keesler Federal Credit Union

— 385-5500 Emergencies — 911 Family campground — 594-0543 Airmen and family readiness center — 377-2179 Finance — 377-4212 81st Communications Squadron help desk — 377-0066 Housing — 377-9741 Identification cards — 377-3203 Inspector general — 377-3010

Legal assistance — 377-3510

**Library** — 377-2181

Lodging (reservations) — 377-Medical center information — Military equal opportunity -**Military pay** — 377-7272 Pass and registration — 377-Pharmacy (refill call-in) — Satellite pharmacy — 377-9791 Public affairs — 377-2783 **Red Cross** — 377-0732. Sexual assault prevention and **response team** — 377-8635 Law enforcement desk — 377-Shoppette, Class Six — 432-**Telephone trouble** — 377-2130 Traffic management (out**bound**) — 377-2446 Traffic management (inbound) - 377-7813

Visitor center — 377-2595

**Youth center** — 377-4116



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## TRAINING AND EDUCATION

## Keesler marks 66 years of training warriors

By Perry Jenifer

**Keesler News editor** 

Even before there was an Air Force, there was a Keesler Field. Tuesday, Keesler turns 66, making the base more than six years older than the service to which it belongs.

For more than six decades, Keesler has trained nearly 2.3 million American and foreign military people in a broad range of subjects and disciplines.

June 12, 1941, the original 832-acre site was officially designated Air Corps Station No. 8, Aviation Mechanics School, Biloxi, Miss.

Before the land was transferred to the Army Air Corps by the City of Biloxi and Veterans Administration, it was known as the Biloxi Country Club. Actually, the area included not only three golf courses, but the Biloxi airport, a baseball park used by the Washington Senators major league baseball team for spring training, the Naval Reserve Park and some private property.

#### Named for Mississippi aviator

Later that June, the War Department renamed the new base in honor of 2nd Lt. Samuel Keesler, a native of Greenwood, Miss., who died behind German lines after being shot down in air combat with four enemy aircraft in the last months of World War I.

Originally, the base's mission was training aircraft mechanics. However, the first threads of change which have marked the base's history were being spun even before Keesler was activated. Basic training was added and the first 12 recruits arrived Aug. 12. They were followed Sept. 20 by the first class of about 800 aircraft mechanic students.

More than 7,000 troops were in basic training and another 4,000 in aircraft mechanics school when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, Dec. 7, 1941, bringing the U.S. into World War II.

During the war, 336,000 recruits and 142,000 aircraft mechanics were trained here. Most B-24 mechanics stationed throughout the several theaters of war — Europe, Africa, the Far East and Pacific — received their training in Keesler classrooms.

#### WACS arrive in 1943

Many pilots forced to ditch in the Pacific Ocean owed their lives to OA-10A amphibian aircrews graduated from the air-sea rescue school here. Chemical warfare training was also conducted at Keesler during the war, and shortly after it ended, the world's first rotary wing school for helicopter mechanics opened here.

In 1943, Keesler's first detachment of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps — WACS — arrived to fill administrative and clerical positions. In the same year, the training of U.S. allies' military people was introduced. This program continues today, with students from more than 50 nations receiving personnel, administrative and electronics training.

The installation that would become known as the "Electronics and Computer Training Center for the Air Force" moved from aircraft mechanic to elec-



**Photo by Kemberly Groue** 

Keesler has trained nearly 2.3 million military members and civilians since the base opened in 1941.

tronics training in 1947, the year the Air Force became a separate service. The new service first moved its radar school from Boca Raton, Fla., to Keesler, and then elements of its communications and electronics courses from Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

Eventually, these courses evolved into ground and airborne communications-electronics maintenance and operator training and air traffic control courses. Then came the semi-automatic ground environment air defense system that made the digital computer a central feature of Keesler's electronics training program.

#### **Training Vietnamese pilots**

In 1967, flying training came to Keesler under the Military Assistance Program. Over the next six years, about 800 South Vietnamese pilots earned their wings in T-28s here before advancing to jet fighters.

Another new training mission arrived in 1968 — personnel and administration courses, previously taught at Amarillo AFB, Texas. In 1972, when the Air Force became the manager for all training in the Defense Department's worldwide military command and control system, Keesler people taught programs here and at sites around the globe.

Pilot training ended in 1973, then resumed two decades later with the activation of the 45th Airlift Squadron. Originally, the squadron trained pilots on both C-12 and C-21 aircraft. With the departure of the C-12 mission as the 1990s ended, the 45th AS became the 45th Airlift Flight.

#### **Centers of flying activity**

From 1973 into the 1990s flying activity at Keesler centered around three associate units: 403rd Wing of the Air Force Reserve, 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron and 7th Airborne Command and Control Squadron. The 7th ACCS left several years ago. The 53rd WRS — Hurricane Hunters — was deactivated as an active-duty unit in 1991 and reappeared as an arm of the 403rd Wing two years later. The reservists also operate the 815th Airlift Squadron, a transport unit.

Keesler is also host to elements of other Air Force and Department of Defense organizations. The most familiar of these are the base exchange (Army and Air Force Exchange Service) and commissary (Defense Commissary Agency).

Growing in numbers and visibility in the 1990s were the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, reflecting the increasing emphasis on joint military training and operations in the wake of downsizing. A slight reversal of this trend was the deactivation of the Army Training Detachment seven years ago.

#### Gains outweigh downsizing losses

Downsizing ... Keesler has taken some losses, but the overall effect here has been growth.

The departure of 7th ACCS followed the transfer in 1993 of chapel service support and paralegal specialist schools and the First Sergeant Academy to Maxwell AFB, Ala.

Outweighing the losses have been gains of more than two dozen courses and hundreds of military and civilian employees from the closures of Chanute AFB, Ill., and Lowry AFB, Ill. These are in addition to the "upsizing" effects of locating 2nd Air Force headquarters here, the continuing Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard presence and C-21 aircrew training.

As Keesler turns 66, it covers more than 1,500 acres with a real property value in excess of \$200 million

#### **Bouncing back again**

Prior to Hurricane Katrina in 2005, about 15,000 military and civilian employees worked and trained here. Nearly that many more military family members called Keesler home, and more than 25,000 military retirees frequented the base for a variety of services. The numbers are lower across the board as the base, and Mississippi Gulf Coast, recover from the worst natural disaster in U.S. history. However, training is back stronger than ever and progress is evident across the base as the reconstruction effort moves forward. The price tag: nearly \$1 billion.

Katrina wasn't the first hurricane to vent its wrath on Keesler — there was Camille in 1969, Frederic 10 years later, Elena in 1985 and Georges in 1998. It's highly unlikely Katrina is the last. However, as now, the base bounces back every time to resume the mission it has fulfilled since 1941: training warriors.

### Gators get new commander

From left, Airmen Basic Devon Cross, Joshua Saville and Arturo Herrera train at air traffic control radar simulators as Master Sgt. Lori Derr, instructor, talks to the 334th Training Squadron's new commander, Lt. Col. Douglas Chowning, about the squadron's training mission. Colonel Chowning took command from Lt. Col. Richard Miller May 23. He came to Keesler from Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, where he was deputy chief for the air operations division at Pacific Air Force's directorate of air, space and information operations, plans and requirements. A Missouri native and Air Force Academy graduate, Colonel Chowning is a command pilot with more than 3,200 flying hours. He's served in squadron and major command positions in Europe, Central and **South America and the Pacific. Colonel Miller is** headed to Royal Air Force Croughton, England, to command the 422nd Air Base Group.

**Photo by Kemberly Groue** 





# Training supporters welcome new leader

Lt. Col. Dale King relinquishes command of the 81st Training Support Squadron to Lt. Col. Kevin O'Rourke, 2 p.m. June 14 at Welch Auditorium.

Colonel O'Rourke comes to Keesler from the Pentagon, where he was congressional activities lead for the Strategic Security Directorate at Air Force headquarters.

Colonel King, who's retiring, has commanded the squadron for nearly two years.

## TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

#### Mandatory training

The legal office provides mandatory annual homosexual policy training for military and civilian supervisors, commanders and law enforcement officials.

Training is 9 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14, Oct. 9 and Dec. 11 in Wolfe Hall.

For more information, call 377-3510.

#### **HAZMAT training**

Hazardous waste management training is 8-11 a.m. June 27 in the Wolfe Hall auditorium.

#### **Graduate courses**

The University of Southern Mississippi offers six graduate courses in adult education, including three online.

For more information, call Christopher Burkett, 377-2309.



#### Parades, drill downs

The 81st Training Group's student parades are July 12, Sept. 20 and Nov. 15.

Drill downs are 7 a.m. June

## **Stripes to bars**

Tech. Sgt. Lori Granger, communications-computer systems technical control apprentice course instructor in the 335th Training Squadron, has been chosen for Officer Training School. She's been at Keesler for four of her 10 years in the Air Force. She has a bachelor's degree in computer information systems management from Park University.

15 and Aug. 10, and 8 a.m. Oct. 19.

For more information on parades, call Staff Sgt. Kwame Felton, 377-3245, and on drill

downs, call Tech. Sgt. Steven Joyce, 377-2737.

#### **Fall classes**

Registration for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University undergraduate and graduate courses begins July 16.

Classes are Aug. 6-Oct. 15. For more information, call 377-4271, or visit Room 217, old Cody Hall.

#### **Embry-Riddle degrees**

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University offers a wide variety of undergraduate degrees online and in a traditional classroom setting.

For more information, call 377-4271, or visit Room 217, old Cody Hall.

#### **Parking lot closes**

The parking lot on the southeast side of the Keesler

NCO Academy is closed July 6 for drill evaluations.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Lisa Arnold, 377-8622.

#### **LOAC** training

Military personnel are required to satisfactorily complete Law of Armed Conflict training every 15 months.

Online training is at http://development/81trss/ancillary/training.htm, and click on the flash or text versions. The system asks for first and last names, rank, unit and office symbol.

After reviewing the material, take a 10-question quiz. A score of 70 is required. After training, print a dated certificate. Keep a copy and give one to your unit deployment manager, who notifies the legal office.

## **NEWS AND FEATURES**

## Keesler celebrates 66 years

**By Susan Griggs** 

#### **Keesler News staff**

Keesler celebrates 66 years of training warriors, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 14 at marina park.

The event is two days after Keesler's birth-day, Tuesday.

Planned activities:

**10 a.m.** — 5-kilometer run, children's run and volleyball tournament.

11 a.m. — free lunch featuring a plate of shrimp with potatoes and corn or hot dogs with chips and a soft drink.

**Noon** — program featuring birthday cake cutting and award presentations.

12:30 p.m. — fishing tournament.

**Throughout the day** — music, games, dominos, boat rides, prizes, giveaways and a visit from Hook, the Mississippi Sea Wolves professional hockey team mascot.

Sponsors include Abita Springs, Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Coca Cola Co., Desporte and Sons Seafood, Keesler



Commissary, Mississippi Sea Wolves, Quality Poultry, Seafood at Market Square, Seymour and Sons Seafood, Sport About, Sweet Stuff, Taranto's Seafood, U.S. Foods and WalMart.

The event is hosted by the company grade officers council and 81st Services Division.

For more information, call 1st Lt. Samuel Spralls, 376-4511, or 2nd Lt. Amy Gilliland, 377-1341.

# Families of deployed troops target of identity-theft scam

**Air Force Print News** 

WASHINGTON — The American Red Cross is warning military spouses about a new identity-theft scam that targets family members of deployed troops.

The Red Cross was alerted of the scam earlier this month, said Devorah Goldburg of the Red Cross.

The scam involves a person with an American accent calling a military spouse, identifying herself as a representative of the Red Cross, and telling the spouse that her husband was hurt in Iraq and was medically evacuated to Germany.

The caller then says doctors can't start treatment until paperwork is completed, and that to start the paperwork they need the spouse to verify her husband's social security number and date of birth.

It's hard to determine how many spouses have been targeted by this scam, Ms. Goldburg said, as there are many ways for spouses to



report problems like this. However, one confirmed report was enough for the Red Cross to act, she said.

"We know that it happened to one person; it was probably going to happen to others, and we wanted to be prudent and alert people," she said.

American Red Cross representatives typically don't contact military members or dependents directly and usually go through a commander or first sergeant, according to a Red Cross news release. Military family members are urged not to give out any per-

sonal information over the phone if called by unknown individuals, including confirmation that their spouse is deployed.

Red Cross representatives contact military members or dependents directly only in response to an emergency message initiated by a family member. The Red Cross doesn't report casualty information to family members — the Defense Department contacts families directly about injuries of family members.

It's a federal crime, punishable by up to five years in prison, for a person to fraudulently pretend to be a member of, or an agent for, the American Red Cross for the purpose of soliciting, collecting, or receiving money or material.

Any military family member who receives such a call is urged to report it to his local family readiness group or military personnel flight.

## In the News

#### Commander's call

An 81st Training Wing commander's call is 10 a.m. today at Welch Auditorium.

#### Medics' leader retires

Brig. Gen. James Dougherty retires as commander of the 81st Medical Group after 27 years of Air Force service, 8:30 a.m. Friday in front of Keesler Medical Center.

Col. (Dr.) Douglas Cobb, who's been selected for promotion to brigadier general, replaces General Dougherty later this month. He comes to Keesler from MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., where he's served as U.S. Central Command surgeon general.

#### Official ORI notification

The 81st Training Wing received official notification May 30 of its upcoming operational readiness inspection by the Air Education and Training Command inspector general.

About 100 inspectors arrive Aug. 19 to conduct the wing's first ORI since 2004. The wing received an overall rating of "excellent" at that time. The inspection ends with a public outbrief, 11 a.m. Aug. 28 in Welch Auditorium.

An ORI of 2nd Air Force headquarters is scheduled to coincide with the dates of the 81st TRW inspection.

ORI preparation tools are available on the ORI 2007 site of the Keesler home page.

### Pet Haven preregistration

Military members required to shelter on base in the event of a hurricane can preregister their cats and dogs for Pet Haven, 2-5 p.m. Wednesday at Blake Fitness Center.

Only pets at least 8 weeks old and fully weaned can be sheltered. Pit bulls and pit bull mixes aren't accepted.

An admission form and photo of the owner with the pet are required, along with rabies, distemper and bordetella shots for dogs and rabies, distemper and leukemia shots for cats. Bring along pet carriers for approval.

For more information, call Maj. James Hammond, 377-3101, or Tech. Sgt. Michael Sullo, 377-7859.

#### Tops in Blue on coast July 10

Tops in Blue, the Air Force's musical showcase, presents a free performance, 7 p.m July 10 at the Mississippi Gulf Coast Coliseum in Biloxi.

For more information, call Dave Bowers, 377-2958.

#### No Keesler News July 5

By contract, the Keesler News doesn't publish the week in which the Independence Day federal holiday falls.

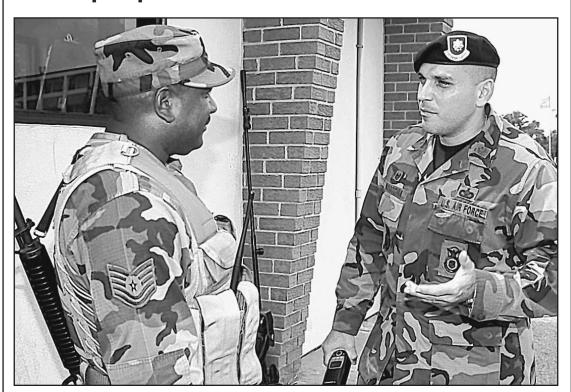
This year, that means there's no base newspaper July 5, which is also an Air Education and Training Command "family day" for military personnel.

The Keesler News office is closed July 4 in observance of the holiday. Publication resumes with the July 12 issue.

#### **Off-limits establishments**

Off-limits establishments for military members are the Blue Note Lounge, Boulevard Nightclub and Henry Beck Park (except during daylight hours or official events) in Biloxi; Carver Village, Bunksmall Apartments and H&H Hideaway in Pascagoula, and Toni's Lounge in Moss Point.

#### New top cop



**Photo by Kemberly Groue** 

Tech. Sgt. Lynn Pittmann, left, 81st Security Forces Squadron augmentee, meets Maj. Joseph Musacchia, his new commander, at the White Avenue Gate May 30. Major Musacchia took command May 25.

## Sharing,

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VA sharing ventures, followed by a tour of the facilities.

Lt. Col. Richard Rowe, deputy director and chief of federal integration for the Tricare Gulf Coast Multi Service Market Office at Keesler, noted Keesler Medical Center and the VA Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System have a history of various levels of sharing.

"At the time of Hurricane Katrina, sharing between KMC and the VAGCVHCS was limited. However, Hurricane Katrina, combined with new leadership at KMC just prior to the storm and just after the storm at VAGCVHCS, allowed the sharing concept to start fresh.

"Both VAGCVHCS and KMC had large dollar amounts tied to either storm-related repairs or expansion projects," he noted.

Colonel Rowe said immediately after Katrina, Keesler Medical Center began to shift some services to VAGCVHCS.

"KMC established a refill

pharmacy in a VA building which was used until June 30, 2006," he said. "Keesler pharmacy staff dispensed 114,000 refills from this facility."

Keesler also reassigned up to 72 staff members to the VA medial center where 70 surgeries were performed on Air Force beneficiaries. Doing so enabled the Air Force staff members to maintain their clinical skills and currency.

"In December 2005, the (White House) Office of Management and Budget directed the DOD's Tricare Management Activity and VA to explore possible opportunities for increased sharing and joint services between VAGCVHCS and KMC," Colonel Rowe continued.

A decision was made to create a single "center of excellence" for both facilities.

"This model retains both facilities, but eliminates duplication of services by capitalizing on the respective distinctive competencies of each facility," the colonel said.

In January, the two medical centers developed and approved a resource-sharing agreement which essentially opens the facilities as the primary network provider for each other's eligible beneficiaries.

"To date, KMC and the VA medical center have expanded their sharing efforts to include mammographies, women's health, neurology, dental, audiology, food service, sleep studies and quality management," Colonel Rowe said. "We continue to explore every opportunity to optimize and share services to provide our beneficiaries quality federal health care services."

Other visitors last week included Ken Cox, director of the DOD/VA Program Coordination Office; Lt. Col. Michael Bouchard, senior policy advisor to Dr. Jones; Crystal Coleman, DoD/VA Program Coordination Office communications; Debra Irwin, chief of DOD/VA Resource Sharing in the office of the Air Force surgeon general; Dr. Ed Huycke, chief of the Office of DOD Coordination, Veterans Health Administration; Elizabeth Ruschmeier, director of the Office of DOD/VA Liaison and Sharing, VHA; and Robert Smith, DOD/VA Liaison and Sharing, VHA.

## Personnel Notes

Editor's note: This column is a service of the Keesler News. Contributors include the Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, and the 81st Mission Support Squadron's military and civilian personnel flights.

### **Transforming travel processing**

81st Comptroller Squadron

The Defense Travel System is an electronic travel order and settlement voucher producing system that's transforming the Defense Department's current processes into a single, streamlined, paperless system.

With DTS, travelers can in-put travel authorizations, review and pick available flights, make hotel and rental car reservations, electronically fill out travel vouchers, pay Government Travel Card accounts and receive direct deposit reimbursements in about a week.

For more information or training needs, call your unit DTS representative or visit http://www.dtstravelcenter.dod.mil/.

#### Civilian career information

Air Force civilians can access the virtual Civilian Career Brief through the AFPC secure Web site, https://www.afpc.ran dolph.af.mil/afpcsecure/default.asp.

Once on the AFPC secure Web site, select "Civ Career Brief" from the button menu.

New CCB users need to establish an account.

#### Virtual outprocessing

Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — All Airmen undergoing permanent change-of-station moves, retirements or separations are now required to use the virtual outprocessing application available through the virtual military personnel flight.

For more information, contact the military personnel flight.

#### Retirement applications online

Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Active-duty retirement applications are processed at the Air Force Contact Center.

Members requesting an action related to retirement can log onto the personal services delivery transformation Web site and click on "retirement package" at http://ask.afpc.randolph. af.mil/psd.

## Airman assignment programs receive streamlining facelift

**Air Force Personnel Center** 

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — The Air Force Personnel Center recently improved four Airman assignment programs to further streamline Web-based personnel processes in support of personnel services delivery and personnel transformation initiatives.

The four programs include the career Airman base of preference program, enlisted quarterly assignment listing-plus selection criteria, volunteer status change after permanent change-of-station selection and report-no-laterthan-date changes after assignment selection

"These changes are part of AFPC's efforts to provide the best personnel services for all Airmen — and there's more to come," said Maj. Gen. Tony Przybyslawski, AFPC commander.

Career Airman base of preference pro**gram** — AFPC now considers career Airmen BOP applications on a quarterly rather than monthly basis, to coincide with overseas returnee and continental U.S. mandatory move cycles. The change doesn't affect first-term applicants still processed on a monthly basis.

Airmen need to be aware their application for a BOP makes them ineligible to apply for

other assignment programs.

"This change will help AFPC work smarter in its efforts to satisfy mission requirements," said Senior Master Sgt. Tammy Brangard-Hern, superintendent of assignment programs and procedures. "At the same time, Airmen need to forecast their career and personal development needs and apply for assignments they believe have the best opportunity to meet those objectives."

EQUAL Plus assignment selection crite**ria** — Following the Air Force chief of staff's permanent change-of-station budget initiatives,

commanders must look for local force development opportunities to assist with PCS reductions. AFPC gives priority consideration to local resources when filling EQUAL-Plus jobs. Specific rules of engagement apply for overseas and continental U.S. locations. Airmen should consult with their military personnel flight for further guidance.

Volunteer status change after assignment **selection** — AFPC requires commander endorsement to accompany a request to change assignment volunteer status and specific justification based on either a hardship condition or best interest of the Air Force.

"This change falls in line with personnel services delivery applications and places the responsibility on each Airman to ensure his or her records, to include assignment preferences, are up to date and accurate," said Sergeant Brangard-Hern.

Report-not-later-than-date change — AFPC's improvement requires Airmen to provide specific justification with their commander's endorsement to change a report no later than date.

This justification must fall within the following categories: operational, such as upcoming inspections, coverage for one-deep position/shallow manned unit and deployments; medical, such as completing rehabilitations for recent surgery or awaiting results of medical tests; PCS eligibility requirement conditions, such as awaiting security clearance or completing training requirements; or hardship, conditions significantly greater than other members encounter in similar circumstances.

The change ensures manning levels are adequate to accomplish the mission and decrease impact on losing and gaining units.

# Off-duty injuries rise with summer activity

Airmen's Roll Call

Did you know the Air Force lost more Airmen to traffic fatalities during the same time frame as the global war on terrorism which started in October 2001?

The period between Memorial Day and Labor Day is a period of increased off-duty injuries caused by increased activity and risk-taking.

That's why Air Force leaders embark on a safety campaign every year called the 101 Critical Days of Summer. The campaign began in the early 1970s as a way to reduce the large number of Air Force off-duty fatalities in the summer months.

Historically, this is a period of high risk because people are doing more. People are outside traveling, swimming and camping.

During the last five 101 Critical Days of Summer periods, 146 Airman were killed in mishaps. Of these fatalities, 117 were traffic-related, and 43 percent of these deaths were motorcyclists. Four Airmen were killed in four separate vehicle accident and two while driving motorcyles May 19-20.

Young men between the ages of 18 and 25 are most at risk for injury or death, yet all Airmen and their families need to remain extra vigilant about safety as the temperatures rise. Whether barbecu-



ing in the backyard to setting out on a road trip or even just trying out a new sport, all Airmen need to think about their actions and the possible consequences.

Throughout the summer, Airmen can expect to be reminded of key safety tips through commander's calls, base publications and from their supervisors.

Some safety reminders are:

Wear seat belts in cars and required protective equipment on motorcycles.

**Remain alert** while at the wheel and plan rest breaks at frequent intervals.

**Don't speed** in an effort to arrive early. It's better to arrive late than not arrive at all.

**Don't drink** alcohol and drive.

Anticipate the unexpected and be ready to react.

# SAPR office sponsors book bag, supply drive

The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office and Gulf Coast Women's Center sponsor a sexual assault response book bag and supply drive until July 2.

"When sexual assault victims come into any of the seven local area hospitals, they may have to surrender any or all of their clothing due to evidence collection and preservation," said 2nd Lt. Stephanie Lutz, 81st Training Wing deputy sexual assault response coordinator. "As a result, the individual has nothing to wear home but a hospital gown."

The goal of the drive is to collect supplies for 100 bags, according to Lieutenant Lutz. Items include clothing, personal hygiene products and paper and pens.

Drop off items 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday-Thursday at the SARC office, Room 126, wing headquarters, Building 2816.

# Military customs, courtesies play big with ORI evaluators

By 2nd Lt. Nick Plante

**Keesler News staff** 

How the 81st Training Wing performs its mission weighs heavily during the operational readiness inspection of Aug. 19-28.

Military customs and courtesies communicate the professionalism and commitment of the individuals who make up the wing.

"Customs and courtesies will be evaluated across the base (during the 81st TRW ORI)," said Lt. Col. Paul Valenzuela, 81st MSS commander.

"Customs and courtesies ensure proper respect for military members and build the foundation for self-discipline," explained Master Sgt. Aaron McKenzie, 81st Mission Support Squadron customer service superintendent. "They are acts of respect and courtesy when dealing with other people and they have evolved as a result of the need for order, as well as the mutual respect and sense of fraternity that exists among military personnel."

Violations of customs and courtesies have been annotated in recent ORI reports from other Air Education and Training Command bases. These include failure to render salutes, failure to pay proper respect to the national anthem, walking with hands in pockets and drinking and eating while walking in uniform.

As ORI time gets closer, wing leadership reminds all personnel to set and enforce all standards, including customs and courtesies.

"Making a positive first impression is very important when you're dealing with inspectors," said Lt. Col. Mack Breeland, 81st TRW inspector general. "Something as simple as standing when an inspector is in your area shows respect to the position. It doesn't matter

if you outrank the inspector or not — everyone should stand up to show respect."

Colonel Breeland went on to explain saluting and greetings.

"Members need to properly salute officers when they are out and use proper greetings," he said. "It's not just how we talk to officers. Another common area the inspectors will be looking for is how Airmen respond to noncommissioned officers and how NCOs respond to senior NCOs."

Colonel Breeland said all members should show their professionalism by addressing each other by their rank and last name.

The inspectors also annotate how wing personnel show respect to the flag.

"During retreat, all members must ensure they are following the proper procedures," Colonel Breeland said. "All members must come to attention and salute the flag during retreat"

Retreat is at 4 p.m. every day at Keesler and signifies the end of the duty day.

"Inspectors will go out of their way to see how Keesler reacts during this daily time we're all supposed to show respect to our flag," Colonel Breeland said.

The ORI presents some unique situations, such as a contingency exercise. Some customs and courtesies are waved during the CONEX. For example, while deployed to the simulated contingency area, saluting officers within the combat zone isn't done.

"During a contingency exercise, you don't typically salute officers, but other procedures still apply," Colonel Breeland said. "If you're in a tent and you're not reacting to an exercise scenario or doing specific work, stand when an inspector walks in."



**Photo by Steve Pivnick** 

Staff Sgt. Venton Horrice, MRI technician, explains how the system produces images to patient Maj. Peter Galindez, 81st Medical Group, before beginning the scan procedure.

# Medical center replaces MRI system hurricane destroyed

By Steve Pivnick

81st Medical Group Public Affairs

Keesler Medical Center's magnetic resonance imaging system is "up and running."

Located in the former X-ray film library in the rear of the 81st Medical Operations Squadron's radiology department, the MRI technicians currently are scanning a limited number of patients until radiologist and technician staffing increases this summer.

The new MRI magnet is twice as powerful as the one it replaces that was lost to Hurricane Katrina, according to Michael Alexander, installations project manager for General Electric Healthcare Technologies, the system's manufacturer.

"It's 3 tesla (a measurement of magnetic-field strength)," he explained. "The previous magnet was 1.5 tesla. It may be the only 3-tesla unit in any Air Force medical facility. This unit and one at Forrest General Hospital in Hattiesburg are probably the only 3-tesla systems in the state of Mississippi."

A 13-ton magnet, the heart of the system, was delivered Dec. 4. Placing it in the new location on the medical center's first floor was a complex matter. A crew from Machinery Movers of New Orleans had to lift it with a crane and delicately place it on special railing through a hole cut in the medical center's north wall. The riggers then carefully slid the magnet into place and lowered it to the floor. Once the remaining equipment was installed, the first patients were seen Feb. 5 after the staff had become certified on the system.

Installation of the new MRI is part of the "move up" plan initiated as a result of the damage Katrina inflicted on the medical center's high-value equipment, formerly located in the facility's basement, or ground floor.



# Tokens of love bridge distance

Chloe Chandler, 3, works on a card to send to her father, 1st Lt. Michael Chandler, who's on a remote assignment to Kunsan Air Base, Korea. Chloe and her mother, Sheila, took part in an arts and crafts night May 25 at the youth center for children whose parents are deployed. The event was sponsored by the airman and family readiness center.

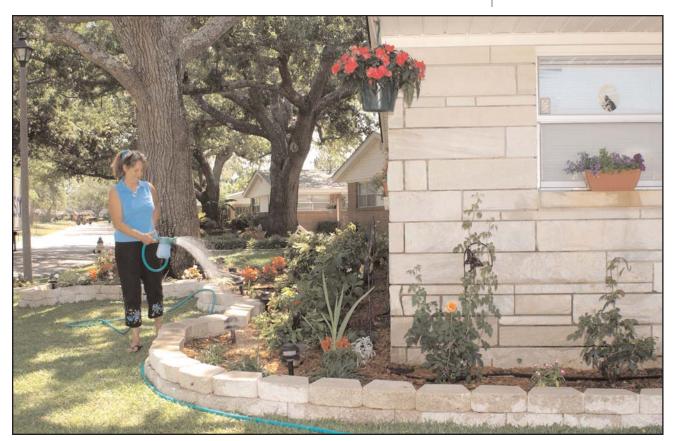
**Photos by Kemberly Groue** 



One-year-old Christopher Young and his mom, Xiomara, decorate a pillowcase for his dad, Tech. Sgt. Troy Young, 85th Engineering Installation Squadron, who's on temporary duty in England.



Tech. Sgt. Ernesto Alvendia, readiness noncommissioned officer in charge at the airman and family readiness center, puts paint on the foot of 1-month-old Angel Carrasquillo as he's held by his mom, Idaliz. Angel's footprint was placed on a pillowcase for his father, Tech. Sgt. Roberto Carrasquillo, 81st Transportation Squadron, who's on a remote assignment to Kunsan AB, Korea.



### Yard of the Month

Elaine Vroemen waters a flower bed in the Commander's Choice yard for May at 309 Fechet Drive in the Bay Ridge housing area. She's the mother of Tina Crum, the wife of Capt. Scott Crum, 2nd Air Force. The housing office's annual recognition program kicked off last month. Neighborhood-level winners from both officer and enlisted housing areas compete for the Commander's Choice designation by Col. Rodney Croslen, 81st Mission Support Group commander.

**Photo by Kemberly Groue** 

## Keesler Notes

#### Yard sale

The 333rd Training Squadron's booster club sponsors a yard sale, 9 a.m. June 15 in the Stennis Hall parking lot.

Table rent is \$7.

For more information or to reserve a table, call Staff Sgt. Deanna Smith, 377-1261, or Tech. Sgt. Ben LaBelle, 377-5838.

#### Surplus property sale

A non-appropriated fund excess property sale concludes today in the former Keesler Club on Larcher Boulevard.

Furniture, small appliances, televisions, microwaves, pictures and ironing boards are available.

Today's hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for all authorized buyers.

Transactions are on a first-

come, first-served cash-andcarry basis, and all items must be removed immediately.

Customers are responsible for loading their purchases into their vehicles.

Commercial outlet representatives shouldn't expect to make large quantity buys.

For more information, call 377-0002.

#### **Hurricane** guides

A limited number of copies of the Keesler News' 2007 hurricane guide are available in the newspaper office, Room 113, Taylor Logistics Center.

To reserve copies, e-mail kn@keesler.af.mil or call 377-4130, 3163, 7340 or 3837.

The guide is also available online at http://www.keesler.af.mil.

#### **Supply source**

The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office is a source of supplies.

For more information, visit, call or e-mail the 81st Supply Squadron's customer service element, Room 126, Building 4002, 377-200, 81LGSCD@ keesler.af.mil.

#### **Heart Link**

Heart Link, an orientation program for Air Force spouses of less than five years, is 7:30 a.m. June 21 in the Triangle Chapel.

To register, call the airman and family readiness center, 377-2179.

For information on limited child care, call Jackie Pope, 377-5346.

#### **Multimedia services**

For information on multimedia products and services available at Wall Studio, call the multimedia manager, 377-2793, or multimedia quality assurance personnel, 377-4636.

#### **Entrance closed**

Due to construction delays, Keesler Medical Center's A-Tower entrance is closed until early July.

#### **Honor** guard

The Keesler Honor Guard has openings for officers and senior noncommissioned officers to serve on the Brass Team.

Brass Team members supplement the rotational honor guard and perform details in Mississippi and Louisiana.

For more information, call 377-

1986 or visit https://www.mil.keesler.af.mil/honor/index.htm.

#### Food handler training

Food handler training is required for unit fundraisers involving food, according to base public health officials.

For more information, 376-3161 or 3155.

#### Trash, recyclables

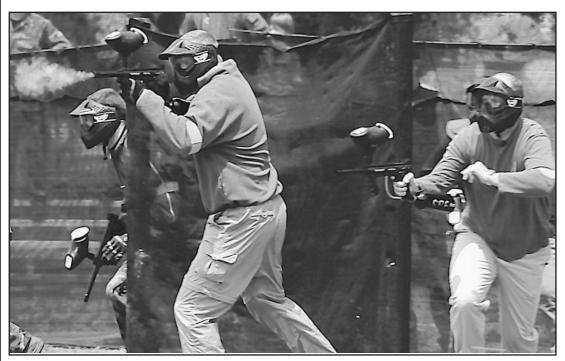
Monday and Thursday are garbage pickup days in East and West Falcon Park, with Monday as the recycling day.

Tuesday and Friday are garbage pickup days in Bay Ridge, Shadowlawn and Pinehaven, with Tuesday as the recycling day. Items must be at the curb by 6 a.m.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Willie Fairley, 377-5822.

## SPORTS AND RECREATION

## Challenge in paint



**Photo by Kemberly Groue** 

From left, Brian Mooers, David Poage and Mack Breeland of 81st Training Wing staff agencies move for position during the "Paintball Challenge" May 31. The tournament format consisted of four five-member teams from the wing staff agencies and the 81st Mission Support, Medical and Training Groups. Victor of the challenge was the 81st MSG by winning a three-way tie-breaker against the 81st MDG and 81st TRG. Each team picked one player for the tie-breaker. The 81st MSG eliminated 81st TRG in the first round and went on to beat 81st MDG's representative. All three group teams tied in regulation play, winning six games each, while the wing staff agencies were unable to come away with a victory.

# 3 intramural softball teams enter week with no losses

By Perry Jenifer

**Keesler News editor** 

Then there were three.

As this week began, only the Marine Corps Detachment and 81st Security Forces and Civil Engineer Squadrons were undefeated in intramural softball.

The Marines went to 5-0 and alone atop the National League standings by knocking off the 403rd Wing, 24-9, May 29 and the 332nd Training Squadron, 14-11, May 31.

In part, MARDET owes sole possession of first place in the league to the 336th TRS which handed the 335th TRS its first loss, 7-6, May 29. The Bulls, who recovered to rout 2nd Air Force, 20-2, May 31, fell into a tie with the 81st Communications Squadron at 4-1. The communicators swept the 81st Transportation-

Supply Squadron and 403rd Wing, 21-4 and 20-10, respectively.

In the American League, the cops and civil engineers remained unbeaten the easy way — without playing.

Due to the Memorial Day holiday May 28, American League teams were scheduled to play only one day last week. That day was May 30, the only day of the week it rained.

The 81st SFS and CES are 3-0.

Three teams are bunched behind the coleaders with 2-1 records: 81st Surgical Operations Squadron and 333rd and 338th TRS.

For complete standings and results of last week's games, see Scores and More, Page 20.

For more information on intramural softball, call Laurence Wilson, 377-2444.

## **Scores and More**

#### **Bowling**

#### League standings Monday Night Budweiser (as of May 21)

Team	Won	Lost
Man On!	82	51
Martini's	74	59
Perry's Refrigeration	73	60
Wayne's World	72	61
Bam! Bam! Bam!	70	63
Slater's Shooters	67	66
Hoop's Gang	66	67
Spare Time Pro Shop	64	69
Our Gang	64	69
Gannon's Cannons	61	72
Endangered Species	54	79
Wicked Women	51	82

## Tuesday Night Hospital (as of May 22)

Team	Won	Lost
Team 7	104	32
Scrubs	94	42
Dirty O's	94	42
Team 5	92	44
Team 1	74	62
Team 2	73	63
The Big O	60	76
Spare Ballz	51	85
Juggonauts	20	116
Team 10	10	118

## Wednesday Night Mixed (Final standings)

Team	Won	Lost
JSOT-B	108	53
MUDD	101	60
Select Few	97	64
WEJUSWANAHAVF	UN 90	71
Go Getters	86	75
Misfits	86	75
70's Plus	83	78
Whatever It Is	82	79
Bowling Express	80	81
Beef O'Brady's 1	62	99
David's Rejects	61	100
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**High averages** — Robbie Speer (men), 211; Gilda Davis (women), 175.

## Thursday Seniors Mixed (as of May 31)

Team	Won	Lost
Team 8	5	2
Team 4	5	2
Team 5	5	2
Me and the Guys	4.5	2.5
Team 11	4.5	2.5
Groovy "3"	4	3
Go Getters	3	4
RBR	2.5	4.5
Team 12	2.5	4.5
Team 7	2	5
FIBO	2	5
Team 6	2	5

## Friday Night (Final standings)

Team	Won	Lost
Sandbaggers	100	61
We Don't Have a Name	89.5	71.5
That Won Team	88.5	70.5
We'll Think of a Name	e 86	75
Team 6	85	76
Beef O'Brady's	84	77
Team 12	83	78
I Don't Care	80	81
Pin Pals	77	84
Harry's Team	69	92
Bringing Up the Reer	69	92
Team 3	55	106

# Auto hobby shop hosts cruise-in, parts swap meet

**81st Services Division** 

Registrations are being accepted at the auto hobby shop for Saturday's cruise-in car and motorcycle show and car parts swap meet.

Show cars and everyday autos are eligible to participate.

The registration fee for cars and motorcycles that set up for the day and compete for trophies is \$15 for a covered space, \$10 for an uncovered space. Covered spaces are limited and are reserved upon receipt of the paid registration.

The fee includes a \$5 meal coupon.

For those who attend but don't compete for prizes, there's a \$2 parking fee.

Double-wide car spaces for the swap meet are \$15.

"People's Choice" awards are voted on by spectators.

Food and beverages are available.

Drawings for door prizes, sponsored by Rex Distributing and Coco-Cola, are held during the event.

Other sponsors are Advance Auto Parts, Bikers Against Child Abuse, Budweiser (F.E.B. Distributing), Classy Chassis, Empress Audio, GEICO, Harley Davidson, Snap On, Champion and Meineke.

For more information, call 377-2821.

**High averages** — Terry King (men), 216; Linda Durbin (women), 182.

Other

**Summer leagues** — 6:30-9 p.m. Monday Federal and Friday Mixed; 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday family fun notap.

**Penny a pin** — 5 p.m. to closing Thursdays. Price of your game is your score; over 225 is free.

**Stars and Strikes** — coming soon. For information, call 377-2817.

**Summer leagues** — sign up for Monday night (three bowlers four games), Thursday morning seniors and Friday night mixed.

**Tuesdays** — teenagers bowl for \$5. Ten lanes available.

**Saturdays** — birthday parties available. For information and reservations, call 377-2817.

**Youth special** — ages 17 and younger bowl for \$1 per game.

**Bowl-a-rama** — 5 p.m. to closing Monday-Friday and all day Saturday. Bowl two hours for \$10.95, including shoe rental.

Nonprior service students open bowling special — 5-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, all nonprior service students bowl for \$1 game, plus \$1 shoe rental.

**Fundraisers available** — for more information, call 377-2817.

#### **Fitness centers**

Cybex challenge — 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Triangle Fitness Center. Event for individuals is a full body circuit challenge on the Cybex equipment. For more information, call 377-3056.

**Fitness classes** — step aerobics, turbo-core, cycle/spin, slo-robics and boxing workout. For more information, call 377-2907.

**Blake Fitness Center** — open 4:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Mondaysworking Fridays; 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays; 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

**Dragon Fitness Center** — open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays. Basketball court is open. Parent-child fitness room open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays. Parental supervision required.

Triangle Fitness Center — open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays and weekends; closed holidays. Smoothie bar open. For massage therapist appointments, call 263-5515.

For more information, call 377-3056.

#### Golf

**Free golf clinics** — 5-6 p.m. June 13-14, ages 18 and older. Limit 10 participants, first come, first served. Group classes available. To register, call 424-0479.

Bay Breeze — course closed until October. Naval Construction Battalion Center's Pine Bayou Course in Gulfport is available. For more information, call 871-2494. St. Andrews and Gulf Hills offer military discounts.

**Bay Breeze driving range** — open 7 a.m. to dusk daily; 30 balls, \$2.

**Golf lessons** — \$25 for 30 minutes. For appointment, call 424-0479.

#### **Outdoor recreation**

Swimming pools — main base pool on Meadows Drive is open noon to 5:30 p.m. daily except Monday. Triangle pool is open noon to 7 p.m. daily except Wednesday For more information and costs, call 377-3568.

**Father's Day special** — June 17, all dads get a 10 percent discount on a boat rental.

**June fishing tournament** — weigh in largest bass and win \$100 savings bond.

**Back Bay cruiser** — 17-foot vessel for rent. Mississippi boater registration card required. For prices, call 377-3160

**Deep sea fishing boat** — available for charter; \$700 for first 10 people; \$35 for each additional person Monday-Thursday, \$40 weekends and holidays; \$350 deposit required.

**Deep sea fishing trips** — June 15, 17, 24 and 29. Fee of \$60 includes everything you need to fish. Payment due upon reservation. No fishing license required. Bring food and beverage. Minimum 10, maximum 22.

**Pontoon boat training** — required before rental. For more information, call 377-3160.

**Recreational vehicle, boat and trailer storage** — \$15 per month. For more information, call 377-3180.

**Marina park pavilions** — to reserve, call 377-3160.

**Resale area** — snacks, beverages, fishing and rental equipment, and Mississippi hunting and fishing licenses available.

#### **Paintball**

Paintball course — 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays open play, 1-3 p.m. tournaments or group play with reservation. For more information, call 377-3160.

#### Softball

#### **Intramural standings**

## American League (as of May 31)

Team	Won	Lost
81st CES	3	0
81st SFS	3	0
338th TRS	2	1
81st MSGS	2	1
333rd TRS	2	1
81st MDOS-MDSS	1	1
81st MSS-CPTS	1	1
81st TRSS	1	1
CNATTU	0	2
81st DS	0	3

**No games last week** — May 28 was Memorial Day; May 30 rained out.

**Schedule** — of upcoming games wasn't available at press time. For more information, call Laurence Wilson, 377-2444.

### National League (as of May 31)

Team	Won	Lost
MARDET	5	0
81st CS	4	1
335th TRS	4	1
85th EIS	3	2
332nd TRS	3	2
336th TRS	3	2
403rd Wing	1	4
81st TRANS-SUPS	1	4
2nd Air Force	1	4
81st AMDS	0	5

May 29 — MARDET 24, 403rd Wing 9; 85th EIS 27, 81st AMDS 1; 332nd TRS 7, 2nd Air Force 4; 336th TRS 7, 335th TRS 6.

May 31 — 81st CS 20, 403rd Wing 10; 81st TRANS-SUPS 18, 81st AMDS 10; MARDET 15, 332nd TRS 11; 335th TRS 20, 2nd Air Force 2; 85th EIS 11, 336th TRS 5.

**Schedule** — of upcoming games wasn't available at press time. For more information, call Laurence Wilson, 377-2444.

## **DIGEST**

### **GRADUATIONS**

#### **Keesler NCO Academy Class 07-4**

**81st Civil Engineer Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Melvin Jackson.

**81st Communications Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Malone.

**81st Inpatient Operations Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Scott Lauricia.

**81st Medical Operations Squadron** — Tech. Sgts. Bettina Burns and Tammy Pfeifer.

**81st Security Forces Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Eithel Selva-Castillo.

**85th Engineering Installation Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Noecker.

**332nd Training Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Mark Jegel.

**334th TRS** — Tech. Sgts. Martha Curley and George Kirkwood.

**335th TRS** — Tech. Sgts. Raun Howell (commandant's award), Richard Lopez and Lakeitha Luster.

**403rd Wing** — Tech. Sgt. Charlene Morse.

Mississippi Air National Guard — Tech. Sgt. Cabin Long.

## **Honors**

#### Student honor roll

#### 332th Training Squadron

Electronic principles course — Airmen Basic Crystal Aikins, Steven Austin, Alexander Bank, Casey Baker, Samuel Bentz, Michael Berry, Richard Blue, Kent Brinson, Jonathan Burt, Ryan Canterbury, Wesley Catlin, Kenneth Cook, Richard Cooper, Jalem Correia, Jacob Davidson, Martin Devericks, Christopher French, Brandon Hagerman, Jonathan Hanson, Tracy Heary, Christine Heitkamp, Nicholas Hilton, Kelse Hoffman, John Hooper, James Izatt, Joshua Kane, Michael Kushma, Arnold Mast, Anthony Merriman, Johnny O'Hagan, Matthew Petrides, Seth Reynolds, Steven Robbins, Nickolas Ryder, Jared Shavmoch and Ryan Shea; Airmen Nicoletta Cash, Jason Degering, James Evans, Starritha Grice, Jennifer Hardin, Gregory Jas, Scott Kelley, Dong Kim, Justin Norman, Halvert Roberts, Theresa Speer, Katie Strunk, Robert Taylor and Andrew Wilkerson; Airmen 1st Class Sergio Baez, Christopher Bellard, Luis Colon, Wayne Conn, Clayton Etter, Joshua Fennell, Brian Fuchs, Bradford Gallatin, Daniel Gisch, Richard Griffin, John Govin, Aaron Grime, Steven Harvey, Kellan Hawks, Colin Hoard, Babac Izadi, Aaron Jenkins, Devin Jester, Stuart Longordo, Charles Maloy, Corderro Martin, Alexis Mitchell, Jeffrey Moffitt, Eric Miller, Matthew Nezat, James Radcliffe, Hector Reyes-Ortiz, Matthew Sarnecky, Brandon Sewell, William

## **CHAPEL SERVICES**

Editor's note: For more information, call 377-2520.

#### Roman Catholic

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Sunday Mass		
Triangle Chapel		
Daily Mass		
Medical Center chapel		
Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 11:15 a.m		

#### **Protestant**

Sunday worship
Larcher Chapel traditional service8:30 a.m.
Triangle Chapel contemporary worship service10:30 a.m.
Triangle Chapel gospel serviceNoon

#### Islamic

**Building 2003** — prayer five times daily; Salaat ul-Jummah congregational prayer, noon Friday. For more information, call 377-2520 or 0327.

#### **Latter-Day Saints**

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints — student group service, 2 p.m. Sundays, Triangle Chapel. For more information, call 396-5274 or 1-616-881-1994.

Sheehan, Jordan Spaans, Alena Spears, Jennifer Thomas, Lawrence Turgeon, Aaron Wasden and Matthew Wiesner; Senior Airmen Rene Crisman, Wesley Mills, Michael Morales and Roland Odermann; Staff Sgts. Ryan Carlson, Wayne Garacer, Jeffrey Geiger, Jason Greer, Travis Kennison, Jong Lee, Edwin Leon-Rivera, Warren Macomber, Gregory Mills, Julian Rey, Mark Sellers and Christopher Swift; Tech. Sgts. Jerry Gillman and John Pyeatt.

#### 334th TRS

Air traffic control operations training flight — Airmen Basic Zachary Bickhaus, Casey Decker, John Forbing, Thomas Gibbons, Caitlin Kettle, Ricky LaVergne, Matthew McClement, Melody McKee, Jacob Mullins and Mitchell Schulz; Airmen Jon Cypert and Benjamin Leneave; Airmen 1st Class James Asher, Tyler Brown, Rashelle Kock, Timothy Scott and Nicholas Sonntag; Senior Airman George Prempeh; Staff Sgts. Dustin Brown, Malcolm Carv, Jonathan Kendall, Christopher O'Brien and Nicoli O'Gilvie; Chief Master Sgt. Yousef Al Khalaf.

Airfield management apprentice course — Airmen Basic Rondarrius McDonald and Lawrence Stephens; Airman 1st Class Leona Kendrick; Staff Sgt. Micheal Mitchell: Master Sgts. Lawrence Aragon and Brian Thomas; Chief Master Sgt. William Sumner

Aviation resource management apprentice course — Airman Brett Cranwell; Airman 1st Class Milissa Ashley; Senior Airman Justin Wright.

Command post apprentice course — Airman Basic Ashley Brock; Airmen 1st Class Cassie Lehmer, Grace Pomele and Athena Talleos; Senior Airman David Havice; Staff Sgts. Christina Leyva and Michael Weeks; Tech. Sgts. Jason Ellis, Charles Lanigan, Joseph Lopez and Debra Spencer; Master Sgts. Blenda Mease, Eric Mills and Jamie Stover.

#### 335th TRS

Weather training flight — Marine Pvt. Joseph Schroeder; Airmen Danelle Brown and Ryan Harris; Airmen 1st Class Ashley Boyd, Benjamin Clark, Ashley Langley, Craig Madara, Stacey Mort, Kyle Quirk and John Westlund; Senior Airman James Mehlman; Marine Cpls. Corey Capella and Justin Lecklider; Tech Sgt. Samuel Cole.

#### **336th TRS**

Communications-computer systems training flight — Airman Basic Michael Menke; Airmen 1st Class Donald Bathurst, Paul Engelun, Martin Evans, Timothy Jones, Eric Karas, Carlin Kubenka, Gordon Moore, Kevin Paulson, Jason Plante, Dustin Scott, Farris Skaff, Jeremy Twidt and Samuel Vazquez-Ayala; Senior Airmen Jeremy Albrect, Jonathan Beck, Kristin Caswell, Byron Estrada, Elizabeth Kerber and Demetrio Lopez; Staff Sgts. Cathey Bronson, Rex Ching, Rena Dillard, Barrette Lafrance, Jason Swenson and Jeremy Yates; Tech. Sgts. David Guy, Dean Peterson, Eric Risner and Steve Wilburn; Master Sgt. Jeffery Franklin; Senior Master Sgts. Robert Baker and Michael Wilson.

Communications and information management flight — Airmen Basic Luc Antoine, Joshua Bauman, Isabel Ochoa, Benjamin Palmer, Joel Saslo and Simeon Smeltzer; Airmen Paul Adams and David Rarig; Airmen 1st Class Arthur Buck, Robert Ernst, Kristin Estremera, Nicholas Freet, Jaysiel Garcia, Matthew Hensley, Eric King, Jerry Levitan, Chad Lucius, Anthony Martin, Joseph O'Leary, Everette Pennington and Bryan Scharman; Senior Airmen Jason Bisnette, Bren Calpin, Jonathan Jones, Erica Marlowe, Richard Morris and Sonny Rasay; Staff Sgts. Kenneth Braden, Christopher Kerens, Christopher Meyer and Johnny Stewart; Senior Master Sgt. Michael Maggiacomo; Chief Master Sgt. Sami Majhed.

#### 338th TRS

Ground radio apprentice course — Airmen Basic Kenneth Ammon, Richard Dehay and Michael Joyner; Airmen Aaron Asper, Mitchell Arne, Jarod Martinez and Justin Miller; Airmen 1st Class Bryan Alder, Joseph Asprocolas, Eric Basinger, Cody Chiasson, Riley Cusson, Kevin Farkas, Brannon Fissette, Melvin Gosha, Lucretia Hedgecock, Joshua Hofmann, John McCardle, Krystal Miller, Adam Odd, Ryan Propst, Kaitlyn Salvatore, Shala Santiago and Jason Speaker; Senior Airmen Jeremy Bork, Jason Krohn and Jeremiah Ward; Staff Sgts. Anthony Davis, Timothy Jones, Christopher Kelley, Guy McCreery, Stephen Pedersen and James Summar.

Radar systems flight — Airman Basic Paul Miller; Airmen 1st Class Chad Andersen, Richard Krotchie, Devin Roper and Brett Schroder.

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## SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

#### 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays

Minute	es after hour	Bus stop
:00	:30	332nd TRS, Building 6957
:01	:31	338th TRS, Building 6965
:02	:32	Welch Auditorium
:04	:34	AAFES Furniture Store
:06	:36	Jones/Bryan/Hewes Hall at gazebo
:08	:38	Thomson Hall
:09	:39	New Cody Hall
:11	:41	Supply, civil engineering
:12	:42	Rental store
:13	:43	Shaw House
:14	:44	Old base exchange
:15	:45	McBride Library
:16	:46	Credit union, Blake Fitness Center
:17	:47	Medical center, Tyer House
:18	:48	Sablich Center
:19	:49	Dental clinic
:20	:50	Allee and Wolfe Halls
:21	:51	Base operations
:22	:52	Hangar 4

#### Technical training route

5:10-5:37 a.m. weekdays

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Minutes after hour	Bus stop
:10	Building 5025
:12	Building 5022
:14	Shaw House
:16	Muse Manor
:18	Tyer House
:20	TLQ east side 2000 block
:21	TLQ east side of Locker House
:25	332nd TRS
:28	Welch Auditorium
:33	Thomson/Dolan/Cody Halls
:34	McClellan Hall
:36	Allee/Wolfe Halls
:37	Stennis Hall/Weather

#### Prior-service students lodged off base

Morning pickup from hotels north of Keesler — 5 a.m., Red Carpet Inn; 5:10, Travel Inn; 5:15, Beaujolais Villas; 5:20, Suburban Inn and Super 8.

Afternoon pickup to return to hotels north of Keesler — 3:30 p.m., street side of Hewes Hall for Bryan, Jones, Hewes and Garrard Halls; 3:33, Cody Hall bus stop for Hangar 3, Thomson, Cody and Dolan Halls; 3:36, E Street side of McClelland Hall; 3:38, back side of Allee Hall for 7-level building, weather training center and Allee, Wolfe, and Stennis Halls.

Wait at the main entrance of hotels for pickup. Allow a five to 10 minute window on arrival time. Traffic in the local area impacts base taxi times.

Call 377-2432 for transportation needs for classes starting after 6:30 a.m. or for service to hotels not listed.

Editor's note: Duty passengers have priority over "space available" riders. Schedule may be impacted by increased official operations or severe weather. Those who are physically challenged, have excess baggage, medical appointments at off-base hospitals or clinics or unable to ride the base shuttle, call 377-2432 for the base taxi. For more information, call 377-2430. Until further notice, weekend shuttle service isn't available. Taxi service is available on an "as needed" basis.

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## **CLASSES**

#### Airman Leadership School

Class 07-5 — graduation July 10.

Class 07-6 — Aug. 2-Sept. 11. Class 07-7 — Sept. 18-Oct. 26.

#### **Keesler NCO Academy**

Class 07-5 — graduation July 10. Class 07-6 — Aug. 2-Sept. 11. Class 07-7 — Sept. 18-Oct. 26.

#### Arts and crafts center

Summer youth craft camp — 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday for seven weeks. \$25 per week includes snack.

Special for fathers — all dads who register for a craft class this month receive free gift.

Sewing — 1:30 p.m. June 16. Make a beach bag. \$20 including supplies.

One-stroke painting — June 16. \$30 including supplies.

Cooking — 11 a.m. June 23. Cool summer treats. \$10 including supplies.

**Mold pouring** — 10 a.m. June 30, ages 13 and older. \$25 includes first firing. Pour a summer fun project.

Beginning pottery — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. \$40 includes five pounds of clay and firing for three pieces. For date, call 377-2821.

**Introduction to photography for amateurs** — One class, two sessions, 1-3:30 p.m. June 15 and 1-3 p.m. June 29. \$40.

**Beginner's woodworking** — 5-7:30 p.m. Wednesday. \$25. Earn safety certification and get operator's card for future shop use. **Beginning intarsia** — 10 a.m. Saturday or June 23. Intarsia

is the art form of inlaying pieces of wood in a decorative pattern. Advanced intarsia — 10 a.m. June 16 or 30. \$20. New project every month.

**Beginner framing** — one class, four sessions, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays starting today. \$60. Sign up in the multi-craft shop.

**Advanced matting** — beginner framing is prerequisite. \$25. For date and time, call 377-2821.

**Stamp cards** — earn stamps by renting molds or paying for available a firing in multi-craft shop. Fill card and get free mold rental or firing. Fill card having framing done in the frame shop and get members. 10 percent off next order.

#### **Auto hobby shop**

Beginner auto care classes for groups — oil changes, tuneups or brakes. For more information, call 377-3872.

#### Chapel

All classes are held at the Triangle Chapel Annex through May. For more information, call 377-2520.

**Men's luncheon Bible study** — noon-1 p.m. Tuesdays. Wednesday night Bible study — 6-7:30 p.m.

Friday night youth teens — call 377-2520.

## COAST AREA TRANSIT

Keesler Express - runs between the Triangle and Edgewater Mall. Bus service begins from the base, 5:50-8:30 p.m. work days, 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays and Saturdays, and 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sundays.

The route is limited to specific pickup and dropoff points: Minutes after hour, bus stop

Hercules Street bus stop

:32 Welch Auditorium

:45 Pass Road Wal-Mart

Arrive Edgewater Mall

Depart Edgewater Mall :00

:09 Pass Road Wal-Mart

Welch Auditorium

Hercules Street bus stop

The regular adult fare is \$1. An unlimited one-day pass

is \$5 and one-month pass is \$45.

For more information, call 896-8080.

#### Family advocacy

**Anger management** — 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays. For more information, call 377-6216, 376-3458 or e-mail susan.pyles @keesler.af.mil.

#### McBride Library

Orientations — 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays for commanders, instructors and first sergeants.

Tours/orientations — call 377-2827

**Summer story time** — 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, ages 3-5.

**Read club** — 2 p.m. June 20, ages 6-12. **Book display** — new selections for ages through grade 3.

## **FICKETS AND TRIPS**

Discounted tickets — for many attractions including Busch Gardens, Sea World, Universal Studios and Disney World in For price list, log on to https://www.mil.keesler.af. mil/81svs/WhattoDo/ITT/index.htm.

Information on area and out-of-state attractions — free brochures for Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Georgia.

## CLUBS AND CENTERS

#### Vandenberg Community Center

Strut your mutt day — 10 a.m. to noon June 15. Parade, contests, prizes and refreshments.

Dance, pool party and boat building contest — 5 p.m. June 29. \$5. Duct tape and cardboat provided for boats; two-person teams. Barbecue, disk jockey and prizes.

Pool tournaments — 6 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays.

**Dance revolution** — 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

Dances — 6 p.m. to midnight Thursdays before compressed work schedule Fridays, and Fridays and Saturdays. \$3.

**Halftime Cafe** — closed for renovations.

**Board game night** — 6 p.m. Tuesdays.

**Survivor night** — 7 p.m. Thursdays.

#### Katrina Kantina

Wings and things — 5 p.m. June 6. Keesler Club members free, \$3 at door for nonmembers. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and \$1 domestic beer.

Comics on duty — free show, 6 p.m. June 21. Light snacks

**Fish fry** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 22. \$5 members, \$7 non-

Thirsty Thursday — 5 p.m. June 28. Shrimp boil. \$6 members, \$8 nonmembers.

All ranks invited — open 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays. Snacks, beverages and music.

**It's your choice** — select between two club cards.

**Dr. Dick's karaoke show** — 5 p.m. Thursdays.

Taco Tuesdays — members two tacos for \$1, nonmembers \$2.

**Catering** — experts can assist with event planning.

#### **Youth center**

Give parents a break/parents night out — 4-10 p.m. Saturday, kindergarten through grade 6. Parents night out \$3.50 hour.

**Babysitting course** — ages 13 and older; minimum 10 participants. Call for date and time.

Missoula Theater Camp — grades 1-12. Sign up now for production of Robin Hood, July 30 through Aug. 4.

TRAIL Keystone Club meeting — 6 p.m. Wednesday and June 27, ages 13 and older.

Congressional award program — 6 p.m. Wednesday and June 27, ages 13 and older. Sign up by previous Friday.

Youth employment service — ages 15 and older voluneer to work in various base organizations and some may earn money toward college tuition. For more information, call 377-4116.

#### Auto hobby shop

Air conditioning checks — no reservation required.

**Qualified mechanics** — can assist with vehicle maintenance.

Oil collection site — for personal vehicles. **24-hour coin-operated car wash** — wash, rinse, wax system, towelettes. Armorall and vacuum station.

**Vehicle resale lot** — on Tingle Street. To place a car on the

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## **DINING HALL MENUS**

#### **Today**

Lunch — herbed baked chicken, beef and noodles, fried catfish, blackeyed peas with rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, peas, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, cheeseburger soup, frontier chicken chili, cannonball sandwich and Italian pepper beef

**Dinner** — roast pork loin, jaegerschnitzel veal, chicken cordon bleu, potato halves, orange rice, gravy, carrots, pinto beans, corn combo, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, chicken and wild rice soup, chili, cannonball sandwich and Italian pepper beef sandwich.

#### Friday

Lunch — Mexican baked chicken, country-style steak, stuffed peppers, macaroni and cheese, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn on the cob, beans, Spanish beans, peas and carrots, pasta salad, three-bean salad, chicken with wild rice soup, onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwiches and burritos.

**Dinner** — lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken cacciatore, rice, gravy, broccoli, cauliflower, Italian baked beans, corn O'Brien, pasta salad, three-bean salad, chicken with wild rice soup, onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwiches and burritos.

#### Saturday

Lunch — baked chicken, beef yakisoba, canned ham, baked potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, broccoli, peas, carrots, fruit medley, kidney bean salad, raisin sauce, clam chowder, tomato florentine soup and buffalo wings.

**Dinner** — fish almondine, stir-fry chicken with broccoli, pork chops, rissole potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, calico corn, club spinach, fried okra, fruit medley, kidney bean salad, clam chowder, tomato florentine soup, chicken frontier chili and buffalo wings.

#### Sunday

**Lunch** — baked fish, sauerbraten, chicken breast parmesan, au gratin potatoes, egg noodles, gravy, cauliflower combo, mixed vegetabless, fried cabbage, tomato salad, German coleslaw, cheesy chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza.

**Dinner** — ginger barbecue chicken, fried shrimp, beef manicotti, potato wedges, mashed potatoes, gravy, blackeyed peas, collard greens, corn O'Brien, tomato salad, German coleslaw, cheesy chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza.

#### **Monday**

**Lunch** — Swiss steak, baked chicken, sausage, peppers and onions, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli, carrots, cucumber and onion salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumplings soup, minestrone, chili with beans, cannonball sandwich and chicken nuggets.

Dinner — turkey, ribeye steak, tempura fish, mashed potatoes, cornbread dressing, gravy, succotash, tempura vegetables, green beans, garden cottage cheese salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumpling soup, minestrone, chili with beans, cannonball sandwich and chicken nuggets.

#### **Tuesday**

Lunch — lemon garlic fish, pork schnitzel steak, beef and yakisoba, ginger rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, pinto beans, spinach, squash, spinach salad, waldorf salad, frontier chicken chili, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, steak and cheese subs and tacos.

**Dinner** — roast pork loin, barbecue beef cubes, chicken fajitas, O'Brien potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower, corn on the cob. lima beans, waldorf salad, frontier chicken chili, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, steak and cheese subs and

#### Wednesday

Lunch — lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken cacciatore, noodles, baked potatoes, baked beans, green beans, simmered squash, Mexican coleslaw, frijole salad, pasta fagioli soup, chicken tortilla soup, chili, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza

**Dinner** — spaghetti with meat sauce, Swiss steak, fried chicken, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, fried cauliflower, asparagus, simmered cabbage, coleslaw, country style tomatoes, chicken noodle soup, potato soup, chili with beans, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

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## **TRANSITIONS**

#### Workshops, briefings

**Veterans benefits briefing** — 1-4 p.m. June 21, July 19, Aug. 16, Sept. 13, Oct. 18, Nov. 8 and Dec. 13, Room 151, old Cody Hall. To pre-register or for more information, call 377-2179.

Mandatory pre-separation briefings — 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for those separating with honorable discharges and 2:30 p.m. for retirees. Briefings are in Room 122, old Cody Hall. Bring one copy of separation or retirement orders. This appointment is required by law, and must be accomplished 90 calendar days before the separation/retirement date. For short-notice separations or retirements, the briefing should be done as soon as possible.

Transition assistance program workshop — 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. June 18-20, July 16-18, Aug. 13-15, Sept. 10-12, Oct. 15-17, Nov. 13-15 and Dec. 10-12, Room 151, old Cody Hall. Dress is business casual; no jeans, T-shirts or uniforms. To preregister or for more information, call 377-2179.

**Retirement briefings** — intended for those with less than a year until retirement, 8-11 a.m. June 14, July 12, Aug. 9, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1 and Dec. 6, Room 151, old Cody Hall. To pre-register or for more information, call 377-2179.

**Palace Chase briefings** — 10 a.m. first two working Fridays of the month, Room 203, Garrard Hall. For more information, call Master Sgt. Joseph Walker, 377-2116.

#### **Employment opportunities**

Career focus program for spouses — information on area employment opportunities, job Web sites, human resources contacts, temporary jobs, on-base listings and free training programs. Computer lab available for resume preparation or job search; located in Room 121, old Cody Hall. For an appointment, call Ron Bublik at the airman and family readiness center, 377-8592, or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

Executive transition assistance program — https://www-r.aetc.af.mil/dp/etap. Online registration dates are through June 14 for Aug. 21-24 at Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark.; and Sept. 12-21 for Nov. 27-30 program at Randolph AFB, Texas.

Junior ROTC — immediate employment opportunities for retired or retiring Air Force officers and noncommissioned officers. Those who retired within the past 10 years or are six months from retirement may qualify to be an instructor. To apply or for more information, go to http://www.afoats.af.mil and select "AFJROTC" or call Jo Alice Talley, toll free 1-866-235-7682, extension 7742; DSN 493-7742, or commercial (334) 953-7742.

**Opportunities for medics** — for members separating from active duty interested in the Air Force Reserve or the Palace Chase programs, call Master Sgt. Joseph Walker, 377-7116, for an appointment. His office is in Room 229, old Cody Hall.

Opportunities for medics — the Air Force Reserve needs flight surgeons, doctors, dentists and nurses. Some opportunities are available with the 403rd Aeromedical Staging Squadron at Keesler. Eligible members enjoy many military benefits and earn retirement credit, while serving two days per month of inactive training and two weeks of active-duty training each year. Some members may be eligible for signing bonus or loan repayment. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. George Adams, health professions recruiter, 377-7655, or e-mail george.adams@keesler.af mil

## TICKETS AND TRAVEL

Editor's note: For more information, call 377-3818. All tours depart from and return to Vandenberg Community Center.

Trip to Pensacola Beach, Fla. —  $9 \, \text{a.m.}$  to  $6 \, \text{p.m.}$  June 23. \$20 per person. Sign up and pay by June 20.

## **MEETINGS**

Editor's note: To list time, place and contact for organization meetings, call 377-3837 or e-mail KN@keesler.af.mil.

**African-American Heritage Committee** — 3:30 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, Room 109, Taylor Logistics Building. For more information, call Paulette Powell, 377-2270, or Kurt Higgins, 377-1390.

**Air Force Sergeants Association** — 7 a.m. third Tuesday of the month, Live Oak Dining Hall. For more information, call Master Sgt. Kat Hataway, 377-5566 or visit the group's Web site, http://www.afsa652.org.

Air Force Sergeants Association Auxiliary — 6 p.m. third Tuesday of the month. For more information, call Michelle Foster, 273-4591 or e-mail auxiliary.president @afsa652.org.

**Airmen Against Drunk Driving** — 3:15 p.m. first Tuesday of the month, Vandenberg Community Center second floor conference room. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Brian Yelton, 377-0167, or e-mail keesler.aaddofficers@keesler.af.mil.

At Eze Toastmasters Club — 11 a.m. Tuesdays, Building 1101 conference room. For more information, call Chief Master Sgt. Don Seaton, 377-5958, or Fred Blache, 377-1048, or visit http://www.toastmasters.org.

Company grade officers council — meets first Wednesday of the month. For time and location, call Chaplain (Capt.) Michael Howard, 377-4859.

**Keesler Amateur Radio Club** — 6:30 p.m. Mondays, Hangar 3, Room 215. Check out the club repeater on 146.79 negative offset. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Justin Meyer, 377-4149 or 324-5806, or e-mail justin.meyer2@keesler.af.mil.

Keesler Christian Home Educators Association — 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, September-May, Larcher Chapel. For more information, call Michelle Durkin, 872-9393, or e-mail chelle1rn@yahoo.com.

**Keesler Spouses Club** — second Tuesday of the month. For time and location, call Tammie Searfass, 273-4324, or visit http://www.KeeslerSpousesClub.com.

**Native American Heritage Committee** — for more information, call R.I. Whiteside, 863-0479, or Capt. Elizabeth Taillon, 377-6242.

Retired Enlisted Association Magnolia Chapter 81 — 6:30 p.m. second Thursday of the month, Vandenberg Community Center. For more information, call Larry McKean, 377-3252 or 374-5922.

**Rising VI Association** — 3:15 p.m. third Wednesday of the month, Room 121, Thompson Hall. For more information, call Staff Sgts. Patrick McKimmie, 377-1513, or James Pope, 377-1305.

**Top III** — meeting times and locations vary. For more information, call Master Sgt. Nicole Pearson, 377-6510.

Tuskegee Airmen Inc., Col. Lawrence E. Roberts Chapter — 11 a.m. third Wednesday of the month, Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Master Sgt. Glenda Mosby, 377-0178, or e-mail gmosby1@bellsouth.net.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Movies**

Editor's note: Movies are at Welch Auditorium. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children for regular features, and \$2.50 for adults and \$1 for children for matinees. For a recording about current features, call 377-6627.

**Friday** — 6:30 p.m., Fracture (R, 113 minutes).

**Saturday** — 2 p.m., Next (PG-13, 96 minutes); 6:30 p.m., Disturbia (PTG-13, 104 minutes).

Sunday — 2 p.m., The Invisible (PG-13, 97 minutes).

#### Recalls

General Electric dishwashers — About 2.5 million dishwashers are being recalled by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and General Electric because liquid rinse aid can leak from dispenser onto internal wiring which can cause an electrical short, overheating and a possible fire hazard. Units were sold under the Eterna, GE, GE Profile, GE Monogram, Hotpoint and Sears-Kenmore in various colors sold from September 1997 through December 2001 for about \$400. Specific model numbers are available at http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml07/07190.html. Customers can also call General Electric toll-free at 1-877-607-6395, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. CDT daily except Sundays.